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## IF YOU LIKE HIM LET HIM KNOW IT

"As we have opportunity, let us do good unto all men."—Gal. 6:10.

*If with pleasure you are viewing any work a man is doing,*

*If you like him or you love him, tell him now;  
Don't withhold your approbation 'til the parson makes oration*

*As he lies with snowy lilies o'er his brow;  
For no matter how you shout it, he won't really care about it,*

*He won't know how many teardrops you have shed;*

*If you think some praise is due him, now's the time to slip it to him;*

*For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead!*

*More than fame and more than money is the comment kind and sunny,*

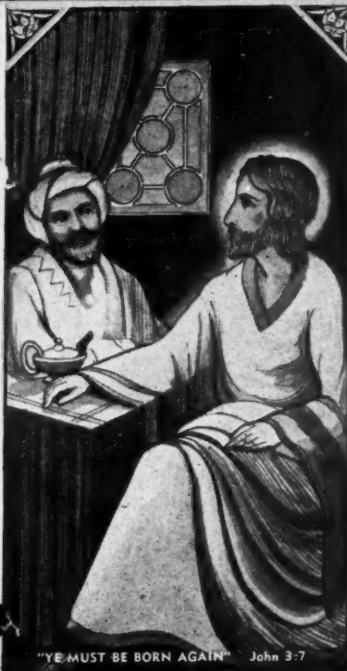
*And the hearty, warm approval of a friend;  
For it gives to life a savor, and it makes you stronger, braver,*

*And it gives you heart and spirit to the end;  
If he earns your praise, bestow it; if you like him, let him know it;*

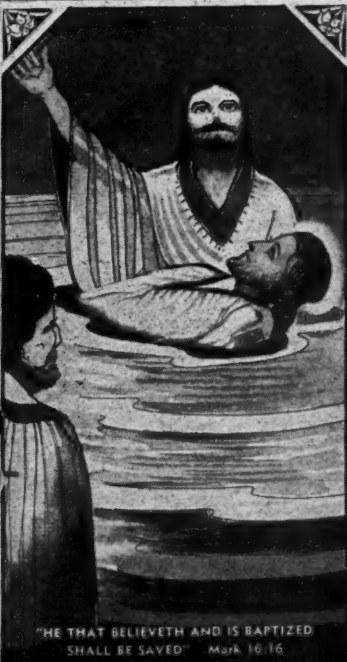
*Let the words of true encouragement be said;  
Do not wait till life is over and he's underneath the clover,*

*For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead.*

—Sent in by O. B. Presley, Rt. 2, Steele, Mo.



"YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN" John 3:7



"HE THAT BELIEVETH AND IS BAPTIZED SHALL BE SAVED" Mark 16:16



"AND THEY WERE ALL FILLED WITH THE HOLY GHOST AND BEGAN TO SPEAK WITH OTHER TONGUES" Acts 2:4



"WHEREFORE JESUS ALSO, THAT HE MIGHT SANCTIFY THE PEOPLE WITH HIS OWN BLOOD, SUFFERED WITHOUT THE GATE" Heb. 13:12



"THE CHURCH OF GOD, WHICH HE HATH PURCHASED WITH HIS OWN BLOOD" Acts 20:28



We are in a revival at Nocatee, Fla. The Lord is surely blessing. Pray for this revival that the Holy Ghost will have full charge. I am teaching a singing school here and have a wonderful class. Please pray for the school. The third Sunday in August we are going to have a county singing convention, which will be an all-day singing. You are invited to come over and help sing. If you want a feast from the Lord just stop by in this revival. If you would like to have my father for a revival and me for a singing school, address our mail to A. N. Daniel, Nocatee, Fla. Our home address is Box 385, Palmetto, Fla. Pray for the work here.—Miss Mary Emma Daniel, Nocatee, Fla.

I am in a revival near Brazil, Miss. and am having good crowds. Please pray for the meeting and for me that I may better carry on the work.—William Roberson.

We started a revival August 9 at Paint Fork, N. C. with Brother Ball in charge. Please pray for this revival; it is needed here. Pray for my lost loved ones and that I will be faithful.—Mrs. Della Allen, clerk, Just, N. C.

There will be all-day service August

#### SPECIAL NOTICE

##### To Ministers and Clerks Concerning Your Annual Report

Please give special attention to the filling out of the Annual Church Reports carefully and correctly, and mail to your respective State Overseer not later than September 1, 1939, so that he may forward same to the General Secretary for our Annual Minute Records.

The name and address of the clerk signing the annual report will be the same as given in the next year's Minutes. If it is desired to change clerks, please do this before sending out the Annual Report, so that the clerk's name and address will be correctly given in the new Minutes.

Remember, your total membership includes all whose names appear on the books, both those who are active and those whose addresses are unknown, as all are still members until they are officially excluded from the church. These reports are to be filled out in conference.

Every pastor should assist the local clerk in giving the correct information for our Minutes.

J. H. WALKER, General Overseer.

20 at High Falls, S. C. We will have special singing and music and good speakers. We are expecting a great time in the Lord. Everybody is invited. Come and bring a well-filled basket and enjoy the day with us.—Walter C. King, Alice Mill, Easley, S. C.

Happy Tom Brooks is here and God is giving him great favor with our people.—Mrs. D. G. Phillips, Akron, Ohio.

The Washington, N. C. annual camp meeting will be held under the big tabernacle Sept. 7-17. Brother E. M. Mortenson has been secured to do the preaching. He and his wife are good singers and will render their untiring efforts with their musical talents to bless all who may come. We extend a cordial welcome to the preachers and churches to come be with us. Beds and mattresses are furnished free in camps. All campers bring your bed linens, etc., with you. Meals will be served at a reasonable price at a restaurant on the camp ground. For further information, write Brother M. D. Mizelle, Rt. 3, Washington, N. C.—R. E. Hamilton.

Please pray for our success in our revivals. I have given up all my business and bought me a small tent, a public address system and a house trailer and am ready to go any place that will please God. We just closed a good meeting in Elizabethton, N. C. We are in a good revival at Red Bone, Fayetteville, N. C. Keep praying for us. I want to go where God needs us most. There are my wife, baby and me. We could use a good singer who knows music and a good altar worker who wants to work for God.—W. I. Bass, Rt. 2, Box 258, Fayetteville, N. C.

There will be a home-coming at the Church of God, two miles below Menlo, Ga., the third Sunday in August, the 20th. Everybody come and bring someone with you and a well-filled basket. Brother Burton of Birmingham, Ala. is the pastor.—Luther Deering, Cloudland, Ga.

The Church of God at Davis Creek, W. Va. will have home-coming Sept. 17. Everybody is welcome. Come and expect a good time in the Lord. We hope to have our state overseer with us.—Bertha F. Hayes, clerk, Rt. 2, Box 248, Charleston, W. Va.

#### Special Notice

To all who are coming to the Assembly: This is to inform you that you may write us about what price rooms you desire and how many beds you want, but do not expect us to answer your letter, as we will go right ahead making arrange-

ments to have the rooms and beds that you desire. Just load up and come on and we will have everything ready when you arrive, if humanly possible.—W. T. Nelson, Chairman of Entertainment Committee, 1030 Lucille Ave., S. W., Atlanta, Ga.

The Rock Hill, S. C. district convention will convene in the new brick church at Rock Hill, Aug. 25-27. Brother A. V. Beaubé, state overseer, will moderate the convention. We are expecting a great feast from the Lord. Everybody come.—Linwood Jacobs, district overseer, Rock Hill, S. C.

I have resigned as clerk of the Church of God at Seaford, Del., so please send all correspondence to Pauline Roberts, 714 Clarence St., Seaford, Del.—Lloyd L. Palmer (colored), Seaford, Del.

WANTED: A loud speaker for street and gospel work. If you know of anyone who has one at a reasonable price, please write me.—Perry W. Kenyon, 1310 3rd Ave., N., Fargo, N. Dak.

To the Churches in West Virginia: This is to notify each church that the L.W.W.B. of Eckman, W. Va. is making a quilt for Brother Cross, our state overseer. They are printing the name of each church in the state on this quilt that sends them fifty cents. If you wish the name of your church put on the quilt, please send in your fifty cents and the name of your church before the last of September, as we want to give this quilt to Brother Cross at the Assembly. Send your money (Continued on page 10)

#### SPECIAL NOTICE

##### MISSION BOARD MEETING

September 20-23, Inclusive

7 O'clock P. M. in Council Room, Cleveland, Tenn.

##### COUNCIL OF TWELVE SESSION

September 25-October 6, Inclusive

9 O'clock A. M., Council Room, Cleveland, Tenn.

##### BISHOPS' COUNCIL MEETING

October 9-11, Inclusive

8 O'clock A. M.

In Municipal Auditorium, Atlanta, Georgia

##### GENERAL ASSEMBLY

October 11-15, Inclusive

In Municipal Auditorium, Atlanta, Georgia

J. H. WALKER,

General Overseer.

## The Power of Prevailing Prayer

BY L. P. ADAMS

The question has been asked, Why is prayer not answered more definitely and more powerfully and why do not believers enter more into the full exercise of the spirit of prayer? Many answers might be suggested which would serve to help answer the question.

In the first place the Word of God shows that prevailing prayer, prayer that obtains and receives an answer, is a mighty stirring experience in the soul of the intercessor. So it might be that prayer is too superficial, too formal, too much in the letter, too much "mind work" instead of heart cry! is why the answer is not forthcoming. It may be the depths of the soul is not wholly yielded to do God's will; all things in God's will is holiness. Prayer is a soul cry, a heart language, and a spirit groan! From the innermost being conditions are dealt with before God! God's power is inwardly manifested by virtue of Calvary. We are crucified with Christ, Gal. 2:20.

Aside from this, prayer is feeble and shows the soul is in a state of being overcome and defeated. The soul may suffer with Him, but shall also reign with Him, 2 Tim. 2:12. Not only an overcomer when Christ shall appear in power to reign, but even now you may reign with Him in grace over evil forces! Prayer is a determined resistance in the power of the Holy Spirit against unseen evil spirit

force which rises up to defeat God's purpose. At such times we are exhorted to put on the whole armor of God, and pray, and wrestle, and resist to the death line!

Satan is not playing with us. He is fighting hard to defeat us and make us short of the glory of God! No pure soul loves a conflict. Jesus did not. But the Holy Ghost led Him to meet Satan in the desert. He won by the Word of God. He kept this battle line of prayer strong against Satan and his allies in all His mighty ministry, through Gethsemane, the judgment hall and at Calvary where He smote the "Prince of this world," John 16:11.

His defence was prayer, and His dependence was God and His Word! "Of the people, there was none with me." "I looked, and there was none to help." He trod the winepress alone, Isa. 63:3, His every move and prayer was for us! He sent the Holy Ghost that we might have like soul intercession, holding the battle lines victoriously against the enemy in His name. This is the ministry of the Church and ministers. Every saint is called to intercession. It is to continue to the end! "Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass and stand before the Son of man," Luke 21:34-36.

## Immodest Attire

BY NORA JAMES

Have you ever seen a time when women dressed in such a shameful way as they do today? Just ignoring God's Holy Word. It is bad enough for the women of the world, but sad today many of the Church members, professing holiness, are guilty before God of this awful sin.

We know that it is of the world and John tells us not to love the world, neither the things that are in the world. He said if we did that the love of the Father, is not in us, 1 John 2:15. You may say you didn't shorten your dress to keep in style; then why did you do it? You certainly didn't do it because there was anything godly about it.

1 John 2:16, "For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world." It is lust and pride, and the Bible says in James 1:15, "Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death." So when we conceive this thing in our heart and let it take root and spring up

we are spiritually dead. Solomon said in Prov. 16:18, "Pride goeth before destruction," and according to God's Word we are headed for destruction if we don't mend our ways along this line.

Some say, "Oh, there is no harm in making your dress a little shorter, everybody is doing that." Why yes, of course, the world is, but we are not of the world if we are Christ's followers and we should adorn ourselves in modest apparel which becometh women professing godliness. 1 Tim. 2:9, 10. Let's be what we profess. A profession without possession will be worthless when we stand before the Lord. Some have said, "I am not an old woman, I'm not going to wear long dresses," but if you are old enough to be called a woman you are old enough to dress as a woman should. Girls should also wear their skirts a decent length. Girls, and in many cases women, too, appear in public in such scanty attire that it almost makes one blush for shame to look at them. No wonder our young men and boys give up and go back into the world. Women are

the cause of it to a great extent.

The first woman that was created gave to the man the forbidden fruit and they are still handing it out. Mothers, wake up. Do you realize that modesty is the greatest charm and protection that God has ever given to woman? I believe if there ever has been anything that caused God to hang His head in shame and disgust, it is to look down on women professing holiness dressing in such a shameful way. Just think of the women who have been in the Church for years and some of them preachers' wives, too, following this style and leading their daughters and other young women in the Church down to destruction. Paul said that the older women were to be teachers of the younger, a pattern and example. Some will say they don't feel condemned. If the Bible condemns a thing we may as well admit we are condemned already. We certainly have enough scripture on this ungodly thing. We might as well do anything else the Bible stands against. So let us look for the old paths where is the good way and walk therein. Jer. 6:16.

## Preachers, We Are Going to Give An Account

"A brother offended is harder to be won than a strong city: and their contentions are like the bars of a castle," Prov. 18:19.

"But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea," Matt. 18:6.

"Giving no offence in any thing, that the ministry be not blamed," 2 Cor. 6:3.

I believe that we ministers are going to give an account of how we have preached the Word to God's people. Jesus did not command His disciples to go out and skin His sheep. He told Peter to feed His lambs, feed His sheep. Oh, I can imagine how grieved the great heart of God is when He looks down and sees those who stand in the pulpit giving out a lot of foolishness that God's Word is against, instead of feeding hungry souls with the Word of God, and then expect the sheep to get fat on it.

Brother, sister, if we cannot be so humble in God's hands that the Holy Spirit can speak through us, we just as well step back because we do more damage than good and we are going to answer for it.

God says that the husbandman that  
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## EDITORIALS

### The Man of Sin

*"Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things? And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time. For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way. And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming." 2 Thess. 2:3-8.*

In Paul's letter to the church at Thessalonica he gives the description of the man of sin and tells what will happen just before he comes. He says there will first be a falling away. As much as we hate to admit it, we have to admit that there certainly is a falling away. People are becoming careless and are substituting ritualism and entertainment for the power of God. It is only the working power of God among the people, and especially the Church of God, that is causing this revelation, and as I have said in previous issues, the Church or raptured saints will be taken away before the man of sin comes on the scene. The removal of that which restrains lawlessness is the working power of God through His saints, and when they are removed, or all who are ready, the spirit of evil will take charge of this world through the man of sin.

This man of sin is fully described in the seventh chapter of Daniel. Daniel's dream is fully made known. The four beasts that he saw in his dream are the four kings that took charge of the kingdom after the great ruler died. It is said that he died drunk, and four of his gen-

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Help us make the Evangel a medium of information as well as a spiritual blessing.

This paper reserves the right to condense reports, testimonies, etc., to a conformity of a proper allowance of space.

erals divided his kingdom. Finally they had a conflict and war was continued among them until one overcame the other three. It is said that the little horn with the man's head represents Antiochus Epiphanes who existed 175 B. C. This little horn terribly persecuted the Jews. It is said that he killed 40,000 and banished 40,000. Finally on his return from Egypt he died in his chariot. It is said that this awful personage tried to force the priests to offer a hog in sacrifice to God on the sacred altar and when he could not compel them to do that he took a corps of his officers and went into the temple and offered the hog on the altar himself. Antiochus is a remarkable type of the beast. According to the Scriptures this man of sin has lived one time and will live again.

"And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them." Rev. 11:7.

We are sure that this is the same person that persecuted the Jews and denied the existence of God and he is confined in the bottomless pit, but he will come out at the proper time and we feel that it is the same person spoken of in Rev. 17:8, "The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is."

This man of sin will have charge of the last Gentile form of world power and when he comes he will appear full grown. The whole world will be looking for a man of this kind. He will solve the financial problems of the world and will cause craft to prosper in his hands. Dan. 8:23-25. At the time of his existence in the Roman Empire, he was wounded to death and at the time of his return his deadly wound will be healed, that is, the form of government that he advocated will be revised. This, no doubt, was the fascist movement and possibly Italy

was the country that practiced it. It is said that Mussolini is making great strides in his work and he has for his emblem the ax and bundle of sticks, and this was the emblem that the seventh ruler had when he received the deadly wound and the recovery of his government is what is referred to when it says his deadly wound was healed. But, Mussolini is only a forerunner of Antichrist.

"And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon. And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed. And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men, and deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live. And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed. And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads; and that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred three score and six," Rev. 12:11-18.

Doubtless the scriptures just quoted has direct reference to the false prophet. It is thought by many that this false prophet will also be a resurrected being. No doubt he will wear priestly robes and look very pious and perform miracles, and will have power to deceive many people. He, like Antichrist, will be moved upon by Satan and will speak as a dragon. He will exercise all the power of the first beast, Antichrist, because he is wholly prompted by Satan. He will cause the inhabitants to worship Antichrist whose deadly wound will be healed. He will perform his great miracles in the presence of Antichrist. He will be able to call fire down from heaven. He will make the image that they have made of the beast and placed in the temple, walk and talk, and many who have been taking a stand against Antichrist will be deceived. They will feel that these miracles are of divine origin, but Satan with his power will help them to perform these miracles.

At this time in the tribulation week there will be a mark placed on all the

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## The PERRY-SCOPE

*Treasures—New and old From Far and Near*

Conducted by SAM C. PERRY, 52 N. W. 35th St., Miami, Fla.

### Our Bodies Belong to God

"What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's," 1 Cor. 6:19, 20. The Christian's body belongs to God. It is His to occupy and use as He may choose.

The body is called:

"Our earthly house," 2 Cor. 5:1.

"This tabernacle," 2 Pet. 1:13.

"House of clay," Job 4:19.

"House of my pilgrimage," Psa. 119:54.

"Temple of God," 1 Cor. 3:16.

"The temple of the Holy Ghost," 1 Cor. 6:19.

1. Let us notice that every one is commanded to present his body "a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God," and this is called our "reasonable service." And then following the transforming and "renewing" of the mind, the knowledge of God's "good, and acceptable, and perfect, will" is realized. Rom. 12:1, 2. That is the route for those who will to be true children of God.

2. The Lord dwells in our bodies. "He that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him," 1 John 3:24. He dwells in His high and holy place and in the hearts and lives of men and women here on earth who obey Him.

3. Sin must not reign in these "mortal bodies," Rom. 6:12. It is natural for the body to perform acts of sin—these are to be mortified, Rom. 8:13, or put off, Eph. 4:22, that we may live or be saved. Sin does not originate in the body, 2 Cor. 6:18, but in the heart, Prov. 4:23; Mark 7:21, and yet it "wars against the soul," 1 Pet. 2:11, and the body, 1 Cor. 6:18, as well, and is the occasion of soul and body being cast into hell.

4. God must be glorified in all of the activities of the body. The sinner's tongue may defile the whole body, but the Christian by the proper use of his tongue may bridle his whole body. James 3:2, 6. Paul exhorted that men "eat and drink," and "do all to the glory of God," 1 Cor. 10:21, and yet it is "with the heart," that "man believeth unto righteousness," Rom. 10:10. Then salvation is described as "treasure in earthen vessels," 2 Cor. 4:7, "where sin abounded, grace did much more abound," Rom. 5:20.

5. God sets a great value on the bodies of His saints, Luke 12:23, and wills:

That they be preserved blameless until Jesus comes, 1 Thess. 5:23.

That they be healed of sickness, Matt. 10:8, Acts 5:15, 16; James 5:15, 16.

That they be under subjection—that is to Him and His will, 1 Cor. 9:27.

That they be crucified with Christ—in order to show forth His life, 2 Cor. 4:10.

That Christ be magnified in them, Phil. 1:20.

6. The bodies of the saints are to be fashioned like the glorified body of Jesus, and appear with Him at His coming in power and glory. Phil. 3:21; Col. 3:4; 1 John 3:3.

### Discerning the Voice of the Lord

It is said that in his earlier experiments with wireless telegraphy Marconi discovered that a message intended for a certain point might be intercepted and thus reach a wrong destination. He found that there was nothing to prevent several receivers at different points from taking a message from a given transmitter. In times of war this would lead to embarrassment, as an enemy might receive private dispatches and thus get possession of state secrets. To overcome this difficulty Marconi tuned to each other a transmitter and a receiver. In this way no other receiver could take a given message. This invention can be easily understood by a simple experiment. If one stands near a piano and strikes a note with his voice, he will hear a sympathetic response from a certain string in the instrument. If the pitch of the voice be altered, a different note will be heard. No other string will respond except the one in tune with the voice. And so it is with the Lord. If we would know His voice, get in tune with it. Get so in harmony with Him in your heart and life that nothing in you will respond to Satan, or anything which is evil. When we hear the voice of the enemy it sounds as a jar and discord, warning us of the presence of the enemy. An eminent saint of God said, "When the devil tries to imitate the Lord's voice, there is always a cackle about it which the discerning believer can detect."

### Confession and Forgiveness

The following selected words set forth a truth which needs emphasis in the Church of today: "Personal forgiveness requires a personal confession of sin." This generation has a weak conception of sin. Too frequently the thought of sin is limited to crime, the breaking of the evil law, or to vices, the breaking of the moral law. True these are sins, but sin is

more than crimes and vices. There are wrongs done others by selfishness, disregard for the rights of others, ruthlessly crushing people to reach desired ends, falsifying to attain coveted positions, the loveless acts which have brought suffering and heartache to loved ones and friends, the deep scars left by unkind deeds and hateful words, the covetous heart, the lustful eye—what are these? Are these not sins? Sin primarily exists in our relation to God. Those attitudes and rebellions act against God which blight the soul and corrupt the nature: Unbelief, which Jesus suggests, is the essence of all sin. Sin, when we are willing to face it honestly, appears hideous and exceedingly sinful.

How easy it is to talk of the sins of others. How difficult to confess our own sins. Yet forgiveness is promised only as one courageously faces his sins and confesses. This confession is not a penalty God has placed upon sinning, it is a means of relief, and there is no permanent relief without confession. While it is true that one of the most difficult statements to make is, "I have sinned," to confess this sincerely brings relief from pent-up feelings of guilt and the pressure of condemnation. It has been said, "Honest confession is good for the soul." Happy the people who see their faults and sins and then have a mind to confess them.

Sometimes heathen nations put us to shame. It is said that in Japan some children were seen looking at indecent film pictures in an American magazine on display at a newsstand. A person seeing it purchased a copy and sent it to the Home Office. Two days later in a newspaper notice it was banned from all newsstands in Japan. But again it was seen on a newsstand, and then the whole of 3,000 copies was banned from the empire. How careless even Christians are in keeping their homes clear of trashy literature.

### Interesting Objects

A young saint; an old martyr; a religious soldier; a conscientious statesman; a great man courteous; a learned man humble; a child that understands the eye of his parent; a cheerful companion without vanity; a friend not changed with honor; a rich man happy; a soul departing out of time into eternity with assurance and triumph.—Sel.

What we, as Christians, amount to in all lines of service, depends on what we receive from the Lord Jesus Christ.

As we take advanced steps in our progress as Christians, we come more into unity and fellowship with the Lord, and dependence on other creatures fades more and more from the realm of our vision.

Interior view of the Municipal Auditorium, Atlanta, Georgia, where the 34th Annual Assembly will convene.



## ATLANTA AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

One hundred and two years ago a few scattered farm houses were the only evidence of the future great Atlanta. However, to the trained eye of the engineer, Stephen H. Long, here was a spot designed by nature as a meeting place for railroads. Close by the spot, which is now historical Five Point, one of the most valuable corners in the world, he drove a stake, marking the end of the rail line he was creating. Around it sprang up a trading center known first as Terminus, later as Marthasville, and finally Atlanta. More and more rail lines came through the country connecting the East, South and Midwest, creating a transportation center, designed to become the very heart of the South.

In 1864 Sherman marched against the prosperous little city. A great battle was fought and the city was left in smoking ruins. Sufficient evidence of the importance of Atlanta, the fires started by Sherman had hardly died out when

the citizens, driven away by Sherman, began to come back. They immediately began the tedious task of reconstruction.

Some years later, Georgia's great statesman, Henry Grady, said, "I want to say to General Sherman that from the ashes he left us in 1864 we have raised a brave and beautiful city; that somehow or other we have caught the sunshine in the brick and mortar of our homes and have built therein NOT ONE ignoble prejudice or memory.

From a population of 6,000 before the war, Atlanta grew to a population of 22,000 five years later. By 1900 practically all of Atlanta's railroads were completed and the city began to be recognized nationally as the commercial, financial, and industrial capital of the South. Up to the present time the history of Atlanta has been one of steady progress and development. The building of fine parks, schools, highways, churches and great office and business buildings

has been an outstanding feature of the city's development, one of its buildings being the largest building in the world; devoted entirely to office space. Another structure is the largest solid stretch of concrete or cement in the world.

Besides the above there is growth of music and art and the constant attendance to religious activities in all the churches, however, Atlanta is a Protestant city by a very overwhelming majority and has always been friendly to the Holiness and Pentecostal churches.

In the year 1938 in Chattanooga, Tennessee, the General Assembly of the Church of God appointed a committee; namely, R. P. Johnson, T. S. Payne, E. C. Clark, S. W. Latimer and E. W. Williams, to decide the place for the next meeting of this great convention. Propositions and invitations came from many cities of this great nation, but when all their offers and advantages were considered, the

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## Does Your Life Back Up Your Preaching?

J. B. WEEKS

Text, James 4:8, "Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you." We need to take stock of our lives all along and see if we are as close to God as it is our privilege to be.

First, we will write some about the results of being nigh to God in this life, then we would like to notice the results of being nigh to God in the world to come. In this world we can have the confidence of people. If we live close to God it will cause men to desire our salvation, but if we are careless, it will disgust people instead of drawing them to God. This world is filled with shame and so many things that are not real. If we are nigh to God now He will answer our prayers and we can have our requests granted. He will also fight our battles for us; He will keep us from many snares and troubles, also from many temptations. Jesus said, "Pray that ye enter not into temptation." Then we can give light by His being nigh us. We can only give light by being close to God. Then by being nigh to Him our preaching and testifying will bring better results.

When we hear a man preach a good sermon the next thing we like to know is, does he live a good life, are his habits good, does he bridle his tongue, does he love everybody, or does his religion just lie in his tongue, does he preach straight and live crooked? O brother, we need to back up our preaching by the godly life we live. We preachers should be men of

prayer. We should never say things out of the pulpit to hurt our influence. We should stay away from places that would jar someone's confidence in us. To know some men's private life is to love them better, but others it makes you want to pray and cry. The Bible says if we fail to bridle our tongues, our religion is in vain. Then if we stay close to God we can have a message from God and we won't have to preach the other fellow's sermons all the time. O God, help us to pray through and get a message from God and not imitate the other preacher or preach his sermons which we might say by memory. I admire a record on a phonograph but I had rather hear the real live person. This is something that will result by us being nigh God at death and after. Oh, at death that's the time I want to be nigh to God and have God nigh to me. When the cold damp sweat of night is on my brow, when I will have to tell my wife and children, friends and neighbors good-bye, then dear ones, is the time it will pay me to have Him nigh. Well, in order to do this I must have Him nigh now as it is impossible to live wrong and die right. I want to speak in tongues at that time, then I will know He is with me. Glory to God, people can make fun of the Holy Ghost, but I consider He is one of the Godhead and He came into my life to live, to help me to be nigh God at that time. Pray for me to live nigh God now and in this world so I can have Him nigh me at death.

and opportunity. I have been in the Paralytic Home since March 26, but, glory to God, my prayers have been heard and answered.

Just two weeks ago yesterday Brother J. W. Allen, a Church of God minister, and some of the saints came out to the home and prayed for me and the Lord wonderfully touched my body, and yesterday I was baptized by Brother J. W. Allen. Praise the Lord. It was a great day; twenty were baptized. Glory to God, I praise His dear name for what Brother and Sister Allen have done for me. I am sure God is looking down and they will receive a hundredfold for the golden deeds they did for me.

Dear saints everywhere, pray that the Lord will give me my complete healing, sanctify and fill me with the blessed Holy Ghost, that I will be able to go and work for the Lord. Pray that I will ever be humble and faithful till Jesus comes, also help me pray for a wayward husband who is living in sin.—Katie M. Nelson, Paralytic Home, Bartow, Fla.

### God Still Working in Miraculous Ways

We are made to realize that our ways are not God's ways, and God's ways not our ways every time.

The first of May I began to travel with the evangelist, Sister Lula Mixon. The Lord blessed our work and many souls have been blessed, for which we praise Him. We went to the North Carolina state convention, not having any idea of coming to South Carolina but were going on to another place for a revival. The Lord must have been directing us because we decided to come by my home in York, S. C., for a few days and then go on.

Our pastor, Brother John C. Padgett, asked Sister Mixon to deliver the message that Sunday night, which she did by the anointing of the Holy Ghost. We were to leave Wednesday, so they wanted us to have services until we left, thus beginning an old time revival. This place hasn't had one like it for some time. We were asked to stay the remainder of the week. The Lord was still blessing and it seemed that we couldn't leave. We are praising the Lord because we feel that this was His way. This is the fifth week of the revival and souls are still praying through. There have been twenty-eight saved, sixteen sanctified, nine filled with the good Holy Ghost, and nine added to the church. Praise the Lord. We are glad because God still works in a miraculous way.

Since traveling with Sister Mixon and attending school with her this last term I find that she is fully consecrated to God and His service and preaches the full gospel. Pray that we might continue to follow the guidings of the Holy Ghost

### NOTES OF PRAISE

"For praise is comely for the upright,"  
Psa. 33:1.

#### Workers Needed in Needy Field

BOONE, N. C.—Dear Evangel readers and especially those in North Carolina, I praise the Lord for salvation and the great Church of God. I'm living in Watauga county in a very neglected field, as far as holiness and the Church of God is concerned. I'm the only Church of God member that I know of. The people know little about the great blessings of sanctification and the Holy Ghost.

Sister Dovie Maltba of Pineola, N. C., came and preached twice but we can't get a building for a revival. I wonder if some Church of God evangelist with a tent would be willing to venture into this needy place. There are many hungry hearts as well as believers. Satan is already getting uneasy. The harvest is ripe and the laborers are few. We can get a place for a tent. We live nine miles from

Boone on the West Jefferson road. Everyone who knows the worth of prayer, pray that many souls will be saved and see the light on the great blessings of God.—Mrs. Carl Norris, Rt. 2, Box 102.

#### My Prayers Have Been Answered

BARTOW, Fla.—Dear saints, I joined the Church of God three years ago in Tampa during Brother J. T. Robert's first year here. I was in a very bad condition with heart and kidney trouble. I was prayed for at the altar and anointed in Jesus' name several times. I always got better, praise the Lord, but the enemy would come in and I would get back in bed with bad spells. When the day was set for baptism I was down in bed with bad spells and couldn't go.

I have been praying and pleading with the Lord for three years for strength

and accomplish something for our Master.  
—Miss Margaret Quinn, York, S. C.

### Jesus Is Our Burden-bearer

UNICOI, Tenn.—I praise the Lord for overcoming power up until this present time, by Jesus' help and grace. I mean to make heaven my home. There is trouble and disappointment in this life and if we miss heaven we have missed it all.

We have just had a great sorrow in our home. Jesus saw fit to call our dear boy away, the one whom it looked like we could never do without, but Jesus knows best. Our hearts are so sad and lonely. He was the very joy of our home. His dear name, Burlin, was called many times a day. I can hear it ringing through my ears. He went to church and drove the car everywhere he went. He was seventeen years and five months of age when he got killed.

I have had the Holy Ghost for twenty years and am a member of the Church of God and we know that Jesus is our burden-bearer. Pray for us that we will overcome.—Mrs. Rennie Brummit.

### God Made a Place For Us

WEST POINT, Tenn.—We just closed a week's meeting on Factory Creek in Wayne county July 30, with my brothers—the McGee boys, Howard and Lowell, and I doing the singing and preaching. It is a new field and a hard place. God laid it on our hearts to go there and made a place for us.

The devil said we were not coming into that community and that we would not have the first service there. God's Word tells us, Psa. 34:7, "The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him and delivereth them." Psa. 46:1, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." We loaded up and by God's help made our way into the community and began our services. God did not let them disturb us until after the service was brought to a close, then old Satan began his work, thinking we would be leaving out at his command. We just looked to the Lord and praised Him. The power of God came down and there was glory all around. Praise God. Isa. 59:19 tells us, "When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him." So old Satan had to flee.

We went right on with our services, still old Satan wasn't satisfied, thought he would try us another round. He made up money and was going to get us out by the law, but failed, for which we thank and praise God. In Matt. 16:18 Jesus tells us the gates of hell shall not prevail against His Church. He has never lost a battle. Why should we fear men? We had good crowds, people were stirred, meeting in crowds between service time, reading their Bibles, disputing

and arguing. There was a good interest, lots of conviction. No one prayed through to victory. We believe there was lasting good done and people were made to see and believe that holiness is the Bible standard. We hope to have a great revival there in the near future. We are planning on going into another new field soon for a revival.

Pray for us to stay humble, live the life and practice what we preach, so that God can have His way with us. God is looking for soldiers He can trust, soldiers who will go out on the battlefield willing to suffer and sacrifice for His cause that souls might be brought out of darkness into the marvelous light of God's Word. We need to work while it is day. I don't want to compromise with the devil; I want to lift up the standard of Christ until He comes or calls me away. I want to hear Him say, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things enter thou into the joy of thy Lord. Pray for us. — Mrs. Frank Gallaher, Rt. 1, Box 59.

### I Cherish the Evangel

The Evangel is very precious to me. In it we enjoy the many good messages of God's ministers and saints. The messages of truth and the good testimonies hallow its pages.

The news of the spread of the gospel, the growth and possessions of the Church bring glory to our souls.

How we like to hear of the many good revivals, the conventions, Sunday Schools and Y. P. E's and every phase of the work of the Church which accompanies the pages of the Evangel from hill and dale, town and city of the homeland, from neighboring countries and far-away lands.

The department "News From the Mission Field" underwritten Mark 16:15 ever reminds us of the brave missionaries and their labors and our responsibilities to them. We are made to know of the many, many souls in need of the gospel of Christ and the great need of our prayers and means to be spent for the mission cause.

When in need of prayer we are glad of the privilege we find in the paper of having our request published to be read by many praying people.

The Evangel carries the spirit of healing. We have read of many witnesses saying they received healing through laying the paper on their bodies in the name of Jesus. In just a few moments' reflection we can call to mind many testimonies of wonderful healings which have been published in the past in the Evangel, which give us faith and courage, along with the knowledge that God has ministers with the gift of healing these days. Oh, praise the Lord.

We are always glad to hear of former friends, pastors and overseers mentioned in this good paper.

Occasionally the pages are graced by a piece by some veteran of the way.

We learn through the Evangel of the passing of friends we perhaps would not otherwise.

We are notified of fakes and impostors.

This powerful messenger is laden with hope, faith and blessings.

The Perry-Scope is grand. It is true to the name; a view of surroundings can be seen in all directions, if perused carefully.

The Editorials of the Evangel are timely truths of pungent warnings for God's Church.

Surely the paper should be in every home. Surely no church should be satisfied until every member is a reader of its shining pages.

If read, the Evangel keeps before one a sacredness and the refining presence of God.—Mrs. Ella Jackson, Somerset, Ky.

I praise God for His goodness to me. Praise His name! He is so real to me. I have had this blessing for almost eight years, but oh, what I have been through since that time! The devil has sifted me as wheat. The tears I have shed and the heartaches I have suffered God only knows, although it has been joy to hear the Holy Ghost come on the scene and talk for Himself. This morning as I lay on the bed sick I was so weak and my head ached so. I read the Bible and the Evangel some and laid it on my breast. My, it felt so good; I talked in tongues and prayed to God. I have had a real feast this Sunday morning although I am still in bed, will not get to go to Sunday School.—Mrs. Lela Morgan, Pine Hill, Ala.

DEL RIO, Tenn.—Dear saints, I truly thank the Lord for what He means to me. I am fifteen years old. The fifth day of June the Lord gave me the sweet Holy Ghost, for which I truly thank Him. I ask all the saints of God to please pray for me to stay humble and at the feet of Jesus. I would like to attend Bible School, so please pray for the Lord to open a way for me.—Mardrie Scruggs.

FROSTPROOF, Fla.—We have just closed a three weeks' revival, Brother Jim Bradley doing the preaching. We can never explain what a blessing he has been to us in Frostproof. He has caused us to see the need of a closer walk with Jesus. The Lord was with him in every service. Surely he is one of God's older children. He told some wonderful experiences on divine healing. We too had with us another old man of God, Brother Will Austin. He also told us some of his early experiences. Now they have fought hard battles for the Lord and are still on fire for God. This has encouraged me to go on with the Lord. Please pray that I will



have a closer walk with the Lord and ever do His will. We thank the Lord for salvation, for this revival and for the five receiving the Holy Ghost and a goodly number being added to the church.

We also appreciate neighboring church folks who attended our revival. We have all had a good feast on the good messages. We appreciate our good pastor, Brother Morris Wiggins, and his wife.

We have loved ones out in sin and want you to pray that God will save them before it is too late.—Edith Davis.

RIVIERA, Fla. — We praise the Lord for the Church of God at Riviera, Fla. We've had to pray much and shed lots of tears, but, thank God, at last the members are more in unity and there is more love in the church than there has been for years. We have been having some wonderful services and many good blessings from above since our state camp meeting in June. It seems that God has just showered His great love upon us, for which we are so thankful and grateful.

We certainly are on the prayer path for lost souls here and ask the prayers of every one. Praise the Lord, we know that the coming of Christ can't be far off and our greatest desire is to be ready to meet our Maker when He comes or calls us from this world of sorrow.

We thank God today for our pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister Carl White. We feel that they have really done their best for the church here.

Pray much for us that we will heed the Lord's calling and work faithfully in His vineyard until He says it is enough.—Mary Lee Wells, Box 145.

#### Look to Him

COOKEVILLE, Tenn.—I praise God for victory in my soul; praise Him for the good Holy Ghost and for the great love He brought to me when He took possession in my soul. I praise Him for that great divine healing power.

One year ago I was in a nervous condition. After the shock of my father's so sudden death I took a severe pain in my left side. I could hardly stand it sometimes. I was prayed for many times and would get victory but never complete healing until four weeks ago. I was fixing to go to work at Cookeville. My side began hurting so badly. I knew I could not go to work in that condition, so I began to pray and call on Him who had all power. I said, "Lord, if it is not your will to heal my side, will you please stop the pain through this day? Lord, just today." Praise the Lord, it seemed that a still, sweet voice spoke to me and said, "If I can heal you for one day, I can for two days." Oh, dear readers, when that voice spoke to me, my faith was increased and that virtuous healing power went

from head to foot. Yes, praise His name, the pain left and has never returned to this body of mine.

Dear saints, we can't praise Him enough, He is so good and can hear and answer prayer if we will humbly come to Him. Dear ones, if your faith has grown weak, look to Him. This healing is as real to me as the salvation of my soul. Praise His name.

Last summer my boy ran away from home and went to Lakeland, Fla. He was only fifteen years of age. He was gone one week before we knew where he was. We heard Friday he was in Florida and began to pray for his return, so on Saturday morning I prayed from daylight until ten o'clock. The Lord gave me the witness that he was coming soon. On Sunday evening at sundown my boy was safe at home. Bless the Lord, He heard my prayer. I asked my boy when he started home and he said, "Yesterday at ten o'clock." So you see, dear readers, the Lord was working with him. I tell you the Lord hears and answers prayer. Pray for our church here at Brindley's Chapel to grow stronger and pray for our dear pastor, Brother Ben Carter, and his family. They are faithful to us. Brother Carter is a real man of God and stands for the whole Bible and the great Church of God. Pray for me to keep the faith.—Mrs. Ida Vinson, clerk, Rt. 2.

DOUGLASVILLE, Ga. — We thank and praise God for the way He is blessing here. We had our opening service in our new church in April. Brother Jeff Dale held a week's revival and then came back in May and ran about ten nights again. We got ten members from these two revivals.

We have just closed a three weeks' revival. Brother W. H. Godwin did the preaching. The Lord wonderfully blessed in this revival. Seven were saved, six sanctified, three filled with the Holy Ghost and five added to the Church of God.

We are going to start another revival in a few weeks and we are already praying for the Lord to come down and bless in a mighty way. Please pray as you have never prayed before, for the work here. We are expecting this to be one of the best small churches in Georgia by the end of this Assembly year. We expect to be found working for the Lord when He comes or calls for us.—D. E. Harvey, pastor.

#### It Pays to Wait on the Lord

WINFIELD, La. — Dear readers, I thank God for His wonderful healing power. On Tuesday evening I took sick. My fever was high but I went to prayer meeting and had prayer for my body. Still I was sick. I came home, went to bed and hardly knew anything. The saints came the next day and prayed. My fever

kept rising. I had chills and, oh, such pain and misery. They had the doctor to see what the trouble was. He never said but said my temperature was one hundred four. Oh, I wanted to trust God. He knows all about us. Brother Walton and his wife and Sister Estes came and stayed all the evening. I felt so weak. That was the next Monday. My fever was still up but we held on to God. He blessed in a mighty way and healed me completely of fever and pain, and today I can give Him the praise for it. It pays us to wait on God.

Saints, pray that I will hold out and be a faithful worker, and pray for me to be stronger in body. Pray for my home and baby.—Mrs. Ida McCombs.

I praise the Lord for saving and sanctifying me. I want all the saints to pray for me to be filled with the Holy Ghost and that God will keep me humble and true.—Axford Atkinson, Rt. 2, McBee, S. C.

CRAB ORCHARD, Ky.—I thank and praise my Father for the great joy and settled peace that abides in my soul. I thank Jesus for healing me of something I thought was cancer and the sick headache. I had Brother Waldron Asher to pray for me. I can't begin to tell what the Lord means to me. I love Jesus above everything on earth. When I am sick He heals me. What He does for me He can do for you. He is still in the healing business and is never slack concerning His work. If we don't get healed, it's our fault. I never can do enough to repay Jesus for what He has done for me. Praise His blessed name. I told the Lord I would tell the world that He can heal if they will trust Him. I want to be ready to meet my soon-coming Lord.

Pray for me to do what the Lord would have me do for Him.—Mrs. Finley Hendrickson.

THUNDER HAWK, S. Dak.—I am so glad for a friend like Jesus. He is a true friend and I wouldn't want to live without Him. He is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother. I praise Him for healing our boy when he was sick. He is worthy of all praise.

I have received so many blessings from testimonies in the Evangel. I love the Evangel and look forward to its coming each week.

Please remember me in prayer that the Lord will give me complete healing in body and that I'll be what He would have me be.—Grace Bishop.

Dear readers, I am glad to report victory through Jesus' precious blood. I was a slave for three years in another church but I am glad because I am delivered from that bondage and now I am living

on the winning side. It is my determination to cherish the old rugged cross, expecting to exchange it some day for a crown.

Thank God for the Church of God. I am baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire and am looking forward for water baptism. Please pray for me that I might be true in Jesus' name.—Gloria Golden, Red Hills, Jam., B. W. I.

McBEE, S. C.—We praise the Lord for a wonderful revival we just closed last night. We haven't a church building here but we hope to have one in the near future. I offered one of my rooms and we ran one week in the room. The crowd got so large we had to move into the yard. The Lord is surely blessing. About thirty were saved, sixteen baptized with the Holy Ghost, about twenty sanctified and sixteen added to the church. Sister Rosa Clayton did the preaching. She is the sister who was healed of cancer and gall bladder trouble after suffering a year and seven months and was laid out for dead. That was seven years ago last New Year's day and God is still blessing her efforts. People are weeping their way through to Christ and many are being healed by the mighty power of God.

We are starting a revival up near Big Springs, S. C., and we ask the saints to pray for us that we will have an old time revival. We have an old Baptist church to run the meeting in, which is gone out of business and anyone who wants to preach in it can. We want to do our best for the Lord and hope sometime it will be called the Church of God.

Please pray for us that we will ever be in the will of the Lord and do what He wants us to do. Sister Rosa Clayton will also do the preaching at McDonald Chapel, she, her husband and Brother Bussie Atkinson who is also called to preach the gospel. He is just a young boy about eighteen years old. Pray much for him, that God will use him for His glory and that he will lead many souls to Christ.

Pray for me that God will use me to His own glory.—Brother Royal Hayden, Rt. 2.

WARRIOR, Ala.—I really praise the Lord who has kept me for eight years, with a willing mind to live for Him and trust Him for everything. Bless His dear name. I praise Him for the precious Holy Ghost, for the Church of God and His healing power. Praise His name. He has been my healer for four years. The Lord can heal bodies when we are sick if we will only trust Him.

I thank the Lord for our little church at Sibleyville, Ala., and for the way He is blessing. I really thank God for our good pastor and his dear wife, Brother and Sis-

ter Robert Brasher.

Dear saints, please pray for me that I will always trust Him who says, "I am the way, the truth and the life," because I want to be a soul-winner for God. I want to live so others can see Jesus in my life.—Mrs. Beatrice Foster, Rt. 1, Box 35-A.

## NOTICES

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to. Freida Lambert, Eckman, W. Va.—A. T. Little, pastor, Box 266, Switchback, W. Va.

The state convention of the New England states will convene at Appleton, Me., Sept. 1-4. We are inviting our beloved brethren, J. H. Walker, General Overseer, and R. P. Johnson, Assistant General Overseer, to be with us. We are expecting the Father, Son and Holy Ghost to be present. We are also expecting some visiting ministers. Come one and all and help us make this the best convention the New England states have ever had.—R. F. Koshewitz, overseer of the New England states.

We are in a great revival at Wesley Chapel, Miss. with Brother Dewey Bozeman in charge. God is wonderfully blessing. Please pray for this revival, for the end is not yet.—Mrs. Add Bradley, Meadville, Miss.

I am at Smith Ridge, Bastian, Va., in a revival. Please pray for me and this revival. The Lord is wonderfully blessing my labor. I am hindered in my work as I have no way to go. Pray that God will help me that I may be able to buy a car.—Mrs. Sallie M. Herron, Bastian, Va.

To the Sunday Schools and Y.P.E.'s of Virginia: The Sunday School banner goes to Dunford Town with a hundred per cent increase over last month, they having doubled their attendance during the month of July. This is the second time they have won the banner this year.

The Y.P.E. banner goes to Shorts Creek with an increase of sixty-four and eleven-twelfths per cent over last month. This is also their second time to win the Y.P.E. banner this year. Come on, the rest of you Y. P. E's and Sunday Schools, don't let them keep the banners all the time.—W. H. Ward, state Y.P.E. and Sunday School superintendent, Box 375, Pulaski, Va.

It is only a few weeks until time to go to the General Assembly. I trust that you Illinois people will begin to make your plans to attend, if you have not already done so. Each church in the state should put on a drive for the expense of your pastor to the Assembly. Please do this in plenty of time as there are a num-

ber of our pastors who will not be able to go to the Assembly if they don't have some special offerings.—J. R. Thomas, Gen. Del., Albuquerque, N. Mex.

We have been four weeks preparing for an old time revival. Church members are stirred, God is blessing in every service and we solicit the prayers of Church of God people everywhere that this meeting will be the greatest this church has ever conducted. New families are interested, Baptist are seeking the Holy Ghost, loose Pentecost and hypocrites have taken their flight, sinners are convicted and even our own church members are getting sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Sister Helen L. Morrow will do the preaching.

Sister Trim, we don't see how we can make out without you, so why don't you come on back and help win those who loved you so dearly? and anyone else passing through, be sure and pay us a visit. That is, if you're lined up with the Church and its teachings, because we're trying to get this church true blue in every respect and prove to Pentecostal people of St. Louis just what the Church of God really is, and God is helping too.—C. E. French, pastor, 4319 Norfolk Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

We began a revival Aug. 13 at Brownfield, Tex., Brother Suitor, pastor. We earnestly ask your prayers for this revival. We give Brother L. C. Pennington a big welcome to come over and help us. It is a needy time when we need to pray unto the Lord.

We are making plans to go to the Assembly. I will take my car if I can get three or four passengers. If someone going from New Mexico or West Texas will write me I will pay you to let me go with you. I hope to make arrangements soon. I can deposit my fare any time if need be.—Brother W. M. Ford, Box 616, Carlsbad, N. Mex.

There will be all-day service at the Church of God the third Sunday in August, beginning at 10:00 a. m., to raise money to pay for our addition to the church. Bring a well-filled basket. We have a \$750.00 addition and it will take about \$200.00 to finish it.—M. N. McPherson, pastor, Bennettsville, S. C.

If anyone knows of any Church of God members of friends in or near Nokesville or Charlottesville, Va., please get in touch with me.—Anna E. Landes, evangelist, Nokesville, Va.

## State Convention and Camp Meeting Dates

Iowa Camp Meeting—Aug. 25-Sept. 3  
Louisiana—August 24-27  
Maine—September 1-4

## REVIVALS

"O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years,"  
—Psalm 122.

HOUSTON, Ala.—We had a wonderful meeting. The presence of the Lord was with us from the beginning to the end. The Lord blessed several. Four received the Holy Ghost. The meeting closed with great interest. It was conducted by Sister Luvenie Canaday of Erie, Colo., and Brother Padgett of Houston, Ala.

DANVILLE, Va.—We have just closed a great revival here with Sister Ida McGuire doing the preaching. She surely preached the Word with power. The Lord was with us from the beginning and blessed in every service. There were twenty saved, fourteen sanctified, three filled with the Holy Ghost and six added to the church. The revival spirit is still on. There have been twenty-one added to the church since the Assembly and others are looking this way. Brother Newton Ward is our pastor and we feel well blessed by having him, for he has done a wonderful work here. We feel that his work is not finished here. We are looking forward to building a new church. Pray for us.—Lonnie Barnes, president of Y. P. E.

Praise the Lord for the great revival we had at McColl, S. C. The Lord surely met with us. I went there the first of June and stayed until the last of the month. Sixty-five were saved, forty sanctified, forty filled with the Holy Ghost, forty-three added to the church and forty-three baptized in water. Brother M. G. Quinton is the pastor there; he is a wonderful man of God.

Then I went to Bennettsville, S. C. for a meeting. Brother M. N. McPherson, pastor. There were seventeen saved, nine sanctified two filled with the Holy Ghost and two added to the church.—C. L. Edwards, R. F. D. 2, Mt. Croghan, S. C.

WARRENTON, N.C.—We had a two weeks' revival in June with Brother Raymond Hudson doing the preaching. There were fourteen saved, six sanctified, three filled with the Holy Ghost, and seventeen baptized in water. Pray for us that we might rise and shine for Jesus.—Mrs. Willie Wood.

UNION, S. C.—I praise God for His wonderful love and the many blessings we have received, especially in our recent revival. I believe I can speak the sentiment of the whole church that it was the best we've had in a long time. Maybe you are wondering now who the evangelist was. I believe the Holy Ghost was the evangelist, for there was not very much

preaching done. Our pastor tried at different times to secure someone to conduct the revival but failed, so we began, trusting God for the results. I do not know just the exact number saved and sanctified but sixteen received the Holy Ghost, eight followed the Lord in water baptism and the revival closed with seekers at the altar.

Please pray that God will continue to bless and our church will be a lighthouse to this surrounding community. I do not feel like closing this report without mentioning our good pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister R. G. Looney. They surely are filled with the Spirit and guidance of God and we love them dearly.—Mrs. V. M. Sanford.

CHILLICOTHE, Mo.—I am glad to report we have closed a very successful revival. Several were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and backsliders were reclaimed. The enemy rose up against us but we are glad we didn't fear the enemy and did not compromise with the devil.

The blessings of God and the power of the Holy Ghost attracted large crowds, some of whom were leading business men, county and city officials and doctors. Sunday, July 29, we had a baptismal service, intending to baptize fourteen, but the blessing of the Lord was on the service and some repented on the river bank and we baptized nineteen. The meeting was conducted by Brother W. Dalton of South St. Joseph. We appreciate the assistance of the saints of South St. Joseph. We have a building program on and expect to have a church built by fall. We have torn down the old building. The willing workers are being blessed of the Lord in their efforts to raise money for the church. Pray for us that we might continue in the work of the Lord without compromising with the world.—Homer Howe, pastor, Rt. 1, Wheeling, Mo.

ROSMAN, N. C. — A great revival just closed here with Brother Fred Allen of Scaly, N. C., doing the preaching, assisted by Brother A. P. Harris, pastor. God blessed in a great way, thirty-five being saved, twenty-three sanctified, fourteen filled with the Holy Ghost and sixteen added to the church. We want everyone to pray for us and the work here. Our church has doubled in membership this year. We feel that God is wonderfully blessing at this place. We thank God for our new church and for sending us such a wonderful man of God for our pastor. We thank God for him as he is doing a great work here. Pray that many more souls will be saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and added to the Church.—Mrs. Boyd Moore.

PINSONFORK, Ky.—A good revival closed at a schoolhouse near the McVeigh church. There were several who claimed to be saved, several sanctified, fifteen filled with the Holy Ghost, four added to the Church and six followed the Lord in water baptism. This revival was conducted by Brother W. B. Webb, assisted by the writer.—T. A. Richard, pastor.

TRION, Ga.—We closed a revival July 23 at Trion Church of God conducted by Sister Pearl Hershaw and her coworker, Sister Pauline Tompson. We had a wonderful revival. There were twenty-two saved, eighteen sanctified, fourteen filled with the Holy Ghost and nine added to the church. We also had several healings.—Mrs. Opal Wilson.

BIRCHWOOD, Tenn.—The Church of God at Birchwood is still praising God for His wonderful power and presence manifested in the revival which closed July 16. Brother Clint Chambers was in charge. Two were saved, three sanctified, and three reclaimed back to the experience of sanctification. The meeting was at its best when we were obliged to close on account of the Baptist revival. Brothers Boehmer, Atkinson and Sweat were also with us and delivered some wonderful messages. Also some singers and musicians from different places were greatly enjoyed.

We are planning another revival before the Assembly as we don't feel that God was through blessing hungry hearts. Pray that precious souls will be saved and that the church will be on fire for God.—Mrs. Nola Lewis, clerk.

PIEDMONT, Ala.—We praise the Lord for His goodness to us. Though the way seems dark right now, we are looking for God to undertake and give the victory. Bless His good name! I know He will never fail. Brother Bill Landrum came here and started a revival. It ran five weeks. There were several saved and sanctified, about twelve filled with the Holy Ghost, and ten baptized in water. The meeting closed last Saturday night with about fifty in the altar. May the Lord bless Brother and Sister Landrum. They are now open for calls.

Brother L. W. Ledbetter is in a revival at Piedmont Springs. Pray that God will save souls. May the Lord bless Brother Ledbetter and his good wife. We ask every child of God to pray that the hindering causes will be moved and the Church of God will rise and shine at this place.—Mrs. Myrtle Strickland.

PINE HILL, S. C.—We have just closed a few days' meeting at the church here. Sister Gertrude Newman did some of the best preaching, begging and  
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### West Virginia State Convention

The West Virginia state convention convened at Beckley, W. Va., in the Memorial Auditorium, July 20-23 inclusive. Our good state overseer, Brother M. P. Cross, was in charge. The presence of the Lord was felt from the beginning of the services and many times the auditorium resounded with the shouts of the saints.

The ministers were all at their best and their messages were really soul-stirring and inspiring. Conviction was great and souls were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and many definite healings were reported.

We were privileged to have with us our esteemed General Overseer, Brother J. H. Walker, who certainly brought out some wonderful Bible truths in his messages on "Sanctification" and "The Baptism of the Holy Ghost."

The Y.P.E. program, which was arranged by our faithful working state superintendent, Brother T. F. Blackwell, was very good. It included singing, speaking and a play by the Eccles young people and others.

The special singing was very good, consisting of the B.T.S. trio, Eccles quartet, Salem quartet, Mississippi quartet, Brothers Raymond Callahan, Ralph Potts, the Moreland sisters, Clark sisters and many others. The musicians, including Raymond Ashcraft and Virgil Hanger with their electric guitars, were very helpful throughout the entire convention.

Brother J. Edgar Barrick, a returned missionary from India, with his family appeared on the program in native costume and told of many interesting things which gave each and every one present a closer insight of the sufferings and trials of those in other lands. The mission offering which was then taken was \$555.10.

Favorable comment was heard from all sides and many were heard to remark that it was one of the biggest and best conventions the state of West Virginia has ever seen, and I am sure all returned home glad to have been permitted to be there to see the West Virginia state convention go over the top for Jesus.—Mrs. Twila Bryson, clerk, 8 Olive Ave., Moundsville, W. Va.

### Big Island, Mo. Dist. Convention

The Big Island district convention convened July 28-30 at the Little River Church of God. Brother H. L. Marcum, our state overseer, opened the convention with a few words of praise to the Lord for the new work, and expressing the

gladness of his heart for the first convention at this place. Truly there were shouts, amens and praises throughout the audience.

The welcome address was given by Brother B. W. Elliott, our district pastor, with responses by Brothers E. E. Rhodes, Isaac Sumter, Art Dotson and Sister Nancy Hedge. The Holy Ghost was with us at this time. As Brother G. W. Messer gave the message of the evening we were made to feel that good heavenly feeling that flows from heart to heart.

God met with us in the Saturday morning service. Messages were delivered by Brother H. D. Christie and Sister Helen Dial of Flint, Mich. These messages were of vital interest. A healing service was also conducted by Brother Barney Garrett in which the Lord blessed. The afternoon service consisted of short talks by all the ministers. Saturday night Brother

### Tennessee Has Banner Year

This has been a great year for the state of Tennessee. Much progress has been made in every phase of the work. All records for the state were broken at the state convention in the mission offering, a sum of \$1,325.00 being raised for missions and more yet to be received. An offering of approximately \$35.00 was taken for the orphans, and in Evangel subscriptions Tennessee now leads all other states with a subscription list of 1,206 and plans to make it 1,500 by the Assembly. Come on, Tennessee, let's go over the top for the Lord.—E. L. Simmons, overseer of Tennessee.

O. B. Presley gave a talk on the Evangel followed by a message by Brother H. L. Marcum.

Hopes for still greater things from God burned within our hearts as a larger crowd assembled for the Sunday services. We listened to special singing, after which our state Sunday School and Y.P.E. superintendent talked to us. We thank the Lord for this message by Brother Leslie H. Orrick. An offering was taken after which Brother Marcum talked on missions. We felt the presence of God as a weeping spirit prevailed. The message of the afternoon was delivered by Brother H. L. Marcum. It was a wonderful message. Reports of the churches were given by the pastors. The convention closed Sunday night, the service opening with the Y. P. E. service in which Brother Leslie Orrick advised the young people how to live. We were greatly encouraged and felt a greater determination in our hearts. Following Brother Marcum brought a message. Our hearts rejoiced as this message went forth. Each one left the convention feeling blessed and more determined to do the perfect

will of God.—Helen Bullock, reporter, Gobler, Mo.

### Oklahoma State Convention and Camp Meeting a Success

The Oklahoma state convention and camp meeting with Brother George M. Bloomingdale, state overseer, in charge, is now in history as the best yet, in different ways. It convened at Maud, Okla., July 14-19.

We were fortunate to have Brother R. P. Johnson, Assistant General Overseer, with us during most of the convention and he surely stirred hearts with his powerful messages. We enjoyed having him in our home. He said there was better interest in this convention than any since he had been coming to the state. The delegation was better than last year. Wonderful unity prevailed; some prayed through to different experiences.

The welcome address was given by Brother A. S. Ruark, local pastor. He extended a hearty welcome to all. We haven't words to express our appreciation of a girls' quartet and their pianist of Wichita Falls, Tex. Their spiritual lives and melodious songs were a great asset to the convention. We were indeed sorry they could not stay for the camp meeting. I believe from their words of expression they enjoyed being there almost as much as we enjoyed having them with us. We hope they plan to visit our state again.

Almost every church was represented on Saturday afternoon, and by the good reports one could tell that the work has been growing. The Willing Workers' report was given by Sister Mary Pierce, state superintendent of the W.W.B's, who is cheerfully filling her place. The W.W.B's have been doing much good this year and surely they are as it were, building monuments for the Lord along the way and when life is ended we can say, "Their works do follow on." May God bless them as they labor for Him.

The Sunday morning service was devoted to the mission cause. The stirring message on this subject by Brother Johnson was indeed heart-touching and effective. An offering of \$102.50 was sent in from this convention.

The Y.P.E. representation on Sunday afternoon was the best ever in Oklahoma. Brother Claude H. Sharp, Y.P.E. state superintendent, has done a wonderful work this year, having organized several Y.P.E's and encouraged the young people to keep the good work going. This is the first year Oklahoma has ever had a Y.P.E. state superintendent to travel as much as he has. Some very interesting programs, vocal and instrumental numbers, were rendered by the Y.P.E's from different churches, with the presidents in charge. Truly God is honoring this noble work. Pray that it will continue to grow.

Brother E. T. Curtsinger, pastor at Ada, preached Saturday morning and on Sunday night Brother A. S. Eason, pastor at Lawton, delivered the message, thus bringing the state convention to a close.

Many of the delegates were not permitted to remain for the camp meeting, but we can truly say God was still with us. The day services Monday shall not be forgotten soon, due to the sweet melting and rejoicing Spirit of the Lord. Sister Curtsinger of Ada spoke many encouraging words in her message. Two brothers from California were with us, also one Brother Hall and family from Texas. We enjoyed the good singing by his three daughters.

The message Monday night was by Brother A. S. Ruark, pastor at Maud. He and his wife worked faithfully to help us beautify the camp ground for this ingathering, and many remarked that it looked much better.

Brother Bloomingdale delivered the messages Tuesday and Wednesday nights to a large congregation. God wonderfully held him up during these services, after his having been sick before the convention time. We wish to express our sincere thanks to all who contributed toward getting Brother Bloomingdale a new suit. May the Lord bless you for same.

Brother Holland, the W.W.B. and friends of Maud deserve much credit for their faithful labor at the lunchstand, and we appreciate the help of the entertainment committee who helped to find rooms for the delegates. We feel we can say this annual gathering was a great success by the Lord's help. We believe the saints left with greater courage to labor for our soon coming King.—Mrs. Geo. M. Bloomingdale, Box 656, Maud, Okla.

#### Willamette Valley, Ore., District Convention

The Willamette Valley district convention convened in the Salem, Ore., Church of God, July 21, 22, 23, inclusive. Services opened Friday evening with good spiritual songs and prayer. The welcome address was given by Sister Iva Kimmel of Salem with response by Brother S. Pearson of Corvallis. A testimony service and special songs were followed by a good sermon by Brother Pearson.

Saturday and Sunday were well filled days with three services each day, also a young people's service on Saturday, which every one enjoyed. The speakers were Brothers J. C. Kimmel, Hilton Vail, state Y.P.E. and Sunday School superintendent, S. Pearson, Sisters S. Pearson, Alma Hume, Madie Laws and Sister Tompson. Brother J. B. Camp, our state overseer, was with us, too, but due to an injury to his back he was unable to preach.

We praise the Lord for a good convention and the good Church of God which is moving forward in the Pacific Northwest. We feel that everyone who attended this convention went away feeling more determined to fight to the end for our precious Lord. Pray for us.—LaVerne Mae Selman, Rt. 5, Box 183, Salem, Ore.

#### The Tennessee State Camp Meeting

By E. L. Simmons

Gone are the days, but not forgotten. The ten days spent in the first camp meeting for the Church of God in Tennessee is without doubt one of the greatest experiences of the saints ever realized in this state. And it was not in the State of Tennessee alone that this feast was felt, for there were campers and visitors from twelve different states: Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Florida, and, of course Tennessee, were represented.

Was there a greater time of fellowship, love and unity ever experienced? Those who attended this great feast say that it was the greatest they have ever attended.

The Bible School was looking at its best, and the dormitories were all in readiness for the great event. The beautiful neon sign in front of the administration building was all aglow, showing the place, and the large tent, 60x120, was all seated and ready for the great convocation. It was not long until the management saw that they would be taxed to provide places in the dormitories for the visitors, and that is just what happened, for before the meeting was over several were sleeping in schoolrooms.

Perhaps the story of this great camp meeting is best told by those who attended. A. V. Beabe, who is overseer of South Carolina, said, "I have worked in Tennessee for several years, pastored churches, set churches in order and been district overseer, but you never had anything like this while I was here. Such love, unity and fellowship!"

Below we give what some of the visitors wrote in about the camp meeting:  
From New Castle, Pa.

New Castle, Pa., is over six hundred miles from Sevierville, Tennessee, but it is not too far for seekers after God to journey. A group of five did this. Hallelujah!

We have attended many camp meetings, but never have we had such soul food. Each service seemed so good that we felt that the next one could not equal it, but it always did. Praise His name.

We received a royal welcome, the greatest consideration and help from the most faithful prayer warriors, who prayed tirelessly with us. We surely thank one and all.—Mother and Florence

Shumaker, Mr. and Mrs. Gomer Emery and Junior.

Orangeburg, S. C.

We were glad to express our feeling toward the folks at Sevierville, Tenn. We enjoyed the camp meeting very much. The Lord surely is blessing up here. People are getting saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. We thank God that we could be in such a wonderful camp meeting as this.—Marvin Craven and family.

Somerset, Ky.

We praise the Lord this morning for what He means to us. We thank Him for the privilege of attending the first great state camp meeting ever held on the Bible School grounds at Sevierville, Tenn.

It's been food to our souls to be here and enjoy the good encouraging and inspiring messages delivered by each preacher. Each service was fine and all the preachers seemed to be at their best.

Above all, we thank God for the presence and power of the sweet Holy Ghost while there.—Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Stephens and family.

Middlesboro, Ky.

The sweetest fellowship, and such unity of the Spirit as we never witnessed; a glorious time in the Lord and a grand camp meeting!—Mrs. N. J. Campbell.

Cincinnati, Ohio

We surely were thankful for the way Brother Jenkerson assigned us to our rooms when we arrived at the Sevierville school grounds. We met the state overseer, Brother Simmons, who later proved to be a very kind brother. When some blunder or carelessness was brought to him to bring before our people, oh, such a kind spirit he would say it with.

We enjoyed the singing, shouting, talking in tongues, and running for the Lord, and such wonderful messages from God's anointed preachers.

The early morning service was so good. I shall never forget two people who testified of God's goodness to them. The Bible study at nine o'clock was just too good to miss. We have never met such friendly people as were there.—Brother and Sister Grayson.

Rock Hill, S. C.

Words cannot describe the glory of the first camp meeting of the Church of God in Tennessee. I count it a great privilege to have been one in attendance. Mammoth crowds, spiritual singing, preaching such as only Holy Ghost preachers can do, outpourings of the Holy Ghost, all together went to make this one of the greatest camp meetings that I ever attended.

I must mention that the faithful and untiring efforts of the state overseer, Brother E. L. Simmons, were greatly ap-

preciated.

At one time when the power of God was falling, a remark was made that in order for the meeting to be any better Jesus would have to come.

Long will the memory of this camp meeting be with me as one of the happiest and most glorious meetings I ever attended.—Linwood Jacobs, pastor.

Atlanta, Ga.

I praise the Lord for the privilege of attending the first camp meeting to be held in the State of Tennessee and truly it was wonderful. I did not know that the State of Tennessee could afford such able preachers. They really preached under the anointing of the Holy Ghost.

I enjoyed the camp meeting as much as I ever did the Assembly. The singing and music were wonderful. The untiring efforts of the state overseer, Brother E. L. Simmons, were very commendable. The systematic way in which the meals were served was great, and the splendid meals served were very delicious. Just to make a long story short, it was all good from the beginning to the end.—Mrs. Susie Kemp.

Candler, N. C.

This is to say that I had the happy privilege to attend the Tennessee state camp meeting, and oh, it was wonderful how God did bless. I heard some of the best music, singing and also preaching that I ever heard. Brother Simmons was at his best. He is surely working hard and God is wonderfully blessing his efforts. He had a wonderful report. Again I say, Thank God for the privilege to be here. Perfect unity seemed to prevail in the entire camp meeting.

Our General Overseer was there to bless us with his good words and pleasant smile which added much to the meeting.—Humbly, D. H. Delk.

Middlesboro, Ky.

We praise the Lord for the great privilege to attend the Tennessee state convention and camp meeting. We were present during the entire time and words cannot express the wonderful blessings received from God and the spirit of unity that prevailed throughout this meeting. Through all future trials we will have one great comfort—the lasting memory of Brother Walker's sermon, "Lord, dost thou not care?" This sermon and all the other helpful messages were surely an inspiration to endure anything for God and His cause. May God help Brother Simmons, the state overseer, and all others who assisted in making this convention and camp meeting such a wonderful success, to carry on until Jesus comes.—Mrs. E. V. Williams and Mrs. Harrison Mayes.

Asheville, N. C.

If asked to state my impressions of the Tennessee state camp meeting, all that I would be able to say is, "He hath made

us to sit together in heavenly places."

That is certainly true of this camp meeting. God has just let us put our feet under the table and eat of His bounties. Such love and fellowship between God's children and such inspiring messages as are seldom witnessed. The love shown us by the General Overseer, Brother J. H. Walker, and the state overseer, Brother E. L. Simmons, were kindnesses that I am sure will inspire everyone who was present to greater things for God.

It having been my first camp meeting in the Church of God, I feel that God must have given me a double portion of His goodness and love and a renewed vision of His death and suffering to purchase us and wash us and to present us to Himself perfect. May God ever bless His work.—Virginia Moody.



#### PRAY FOR:

Very special unspoken request; God to come to my rescue; my husband to be saved; me to stay true to God.—Mrs. Thelma Sellers, 509 Wright St., Wilmington, N. C.

God to give us a wonderful revival; my husband and other loved ones to be saved. Fast, if led.—Laura Jones, Culbertson, N. C.

Me to be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.—George Carter, Kentwood, La.

A dear friend who has been in bed three or four months to be healed. Her address is Mrs. Joe Jones, Rt. 1, Box 196, Arcadia, Fla.—Mrs. Florida A. Smith, Rt. 1, Box 199, Arcadia, Fla.

Our tent meeting; souls to be saved and backsliders reclaimed; my head to be healed; me to get the full blessing.—Mrs. Emma Gibbs, Box 184, Mims, Fla.

Marian Morbray to be healed of cancer; my two daughters to be healed; one to be saved, also her household; me to get closer to God; more faith. Anointed cloths appreciated.—May Barker, 792 Covin St., Pontiac, Mich.

My companion and oldest daughter to be saved; our pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister Morris Wiggins, to be healed; me to be healed.—Mrs. Ella B. King, Rt. 1, Babson Park, Fla.

My husband to get back to the Lord; God to undertake in our home; I don't live near a Church of God and have a hard battle; pray till God gives victory.—Mrs. May Belle Jackson, Tutwiler, Miss.

God to undertake, unspoken request; God to move in a mighty way; my loved ones to be saved; my son to be delivered of a habit.—Mrs. Henry Sims, Sherwood, Tenn.

The healing of our little girl who is

very sick; us to get closer to God and stronger in the faith.—Mr. and Mrs. John Cooley, Rt. 2, Cookeville, Tenn.

God to completely heal me of a cancer and that I will be able to go to the Assembly.—Mrs. M. S. Bishop, Rt. 3, Thomaston, Ga.

One of the families in the Church of God here at Akron, Ohio.—Mrs. D. G. Phillips, Akron, Ohio.

Sister Loy Purdy, Rt. 1, Toccoa, Ga., to be healed of something which has all appearance of a cancer. Anointed cloth appreciated.—V. C. Ramey, 911 Elm St., Kannapolis, N. C.

Me to stay close to the Lord; my husband to be saved; my home to be a home of prayer.—Mrs. Lula Tedder, 20 Barrow St., Rock Hill, S. C.

My body to be healed; my vision to be restored; backsliders in my family to come back to God; the sinners saved.—Mrs. H. Owens, Yancey, Ky.

Me to be healed of a stroke; my husband to be healed of high blood pressure; God to provide a way for us.—Brother George and Sister Addie Black, Fort Mills, S. C.

God to give us a church here in Tucson, Ariz.; God to move all hindrances and provide that we may be able to buy a church building.—Mrs. Kate McGhee, Tucson, Ariz.

Our revival which started Aug. 12 at Buckaloo church. — J. L. Chance, W. Greenville, Ala.

Our little boy's eye to be healed; he stuck a knife point directly through the pupil.—Mrs. Orval Milligan, Herod, Ill.

My son to be saved; the Lord to direct; my father and mother to receive salvation; friends and relatives to receive salvation. Fast, if led.—Mrs. Rosa Massey, Strawn, Tex.

Us here; my unsaved brothers, sisters and husband; me to do the will of the Lord.—Mrs. J. W. Vanderburg, Rt. 1, W. Gastonia, N. C.

Me and my home; my companion to get back to the Lord.—Mrs. A. C. Johnson, Whiteside, Tenn.

My husband who is afflicted with heart trouble to be saved and healed.—Mrs. R. Y. Gregg, Rt. 2, Heflin, Ala.

God to provide me with work.—James Smith, 1105-19th, S. E., Washington, D. C.

Me and the saints in these islands to grow in Christ; God to provide us with food and clothing.—Elder Ebenezer T. Musgrove, pastor at Whitby, Turks Island, B.W.I.

Me to be healed of tonsillitis; God to have His way in our home; my loved ones who are lost.—Mrs. L. D. Price, Rt. 1, Travellers Rest, S. C.

Mrs. Josephine Harvey, Mulberry, Fla. who is in the state hospital to be healed; her husband to be saved; God to undertake. She will appreciate letters of en-



couragement.—Mrs. Calvin York, Rt. 3, Box 381-G, Tampa, Fla.

My body to be healed; special unspoken request; my mother to be healed; the church here. Fast, if led. Encouraging letters appreciated.—Miss Lou D. Nichols, Orme, Tenn.

My little girl to be healed of chills; me to get closer to the Lord.—Mrs. Nora Harmon, Rt. 1, Box 23, Isola, Miss.

Me to be filled with the Holy Ghost; my wife to be healed of a skin trouble.—Estes Miller, Tuscumbia, Ala.

The people here to see the light on the Church of God; unspoken request; our meeting.—Robert Thunderburk, Pineville, N. C.

Me to be healed of low blood pressure and other bodily afflictions; my husband to get back to the Lord; my girls to be saved. Anointed cloth appreciated.—Mrs. Cora Danils, Thacker, W. Va.

Me to be completely healed. Anointed cloth appreciated.—Mrs. Josie Bennett, Lindale, Ga.

Have special prayer Aug. 20 for my husband to be saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. Joab Lester, Rt. 5, Yakimo, Wash.

Our revival; me to stay humble.—Carl Selby, Box 4, Tyrone, Ark.

The healing of my body; a work to be established in this community. We would like to hear from Brothers T. J. Meade and O. W. Thomas and any of the dear saints who care to write us.—Mrs. J. L. Criner, Rt. 1, Box 57-A, Hurricane, W. Va.

Me to be healed of neuritis.—Mrs. T. J. Shaw, Box 51, Madison, Fla.

The complete healing of my body; me to get closer to God and receive the Holy Ghost.—Sister Anna Harris, Acosta, Pa.

The healing of my mother's body; the healing of my body; our church.—Annie Collier, Lake Placid, Fla.

A little girl who has rheumatic fever. Brother Rouse, please pray for her.—Mrs. W. W. Kiser, Tuscumbia, Ala.

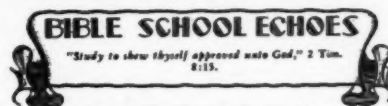
Our revival here; my husband to receive the Holy Ghost; my throat to be completely healed; me to have more faith; my father to be saved; God to have His way in my home; my sister-in-law's health to be restored and that she will receive the Holy Ghost; God to give people light on holiness.—Mrs. Lola Mae Chambless, Rt. 1, Vincent, Ala.

### Desires Salvation and Healing

Dear saints, I have been an invalid for thirteen years and bedridden better than six and one-half years. My hip joints are ankylosis. In May I had a heart attack and all the doctors said I could live but a few days at the best, but with the help of God I am still living.

I am a sinner and want you children of God everywhere to pray for my lost soul, and if it be God's will to heal my

body.—M. L. Clark, in care of W. M. Cecil, Hot Springs, Ark.



### In Behalf of B. T. S.

For several days I have felt impressed to write something in behalf of the Church of God Bible Training School.

I feel like it is one of the most important departments of the Church. I feel almost like saying it is the most important because of its great benefit to our young people who are the future workers for God and His Church. There they learn to rightly divide the Word of God and are therefore able to teach and lead people aright instead of being confused and getting others confused over misconstruing the Scriptures.

I do not say that this school will make preachers, but to those who feel that God wants you to preach His Word, it will establish you in the doctrine and make you a much more efficient worker than you would be otherwise. And to all Christian young people, this school will help you to be a better Sunday School teacher, a greater blessing to your home church or anywhere you may chance to be. I know this is true because in the last four years I've come in contact with numbers of the B. T. S. students and nearly all of them are working for the Master and they are doing work that will stand through the storms because it is founded on the Word of God. The wife of a young minister here in Pennsylvania said to me not long ago, "I'm so glad my husband attended Bible School and learned conditions there and learned to know our officials at Headquarters, otherwise he might have believed the false reports that have been circulated here in Pennsylvania and been carried away in this rebellion."

In looking through a book today I came across a program of the closing exercises of the 1926 term of B. T. S. It brought the boys and girls of that term so vividly to my mind. Many of them were an inspiration to me by their earnestness and zeal. Our present General Overseer and the sweet girl who later became his wife were both students that term. On this program I noticed the dialogue of "Pete Eldrid and the Bible School" and I well remember how "Pete" so very clearly portrayed the benefits of Bible School to him. I remember too how this precious young man worked his way through B. T. S., rising early in the mornings to make the fires in the dormitory and working late at night, doing his own laundry, but he endured it all as a good soldier and God has blessed him abundantly. He has served as overseer in one of the southern states, has pastored dif-

ferent churches and is an efficient worker in the Master's vineyard.

I feel that it is the duty of every member of the Church of God to do what he can to help someone through Bible School. Every Y. P. E. could help someone through school every year and God will bless you in the effort of doing something for Him. Then there's the wonderful building that has been purchased at such a bargain (and oh, how it has been needed for years!). Every one should do all he can to help pay for it. If the Sunday School teachers of the adult classes would get their classes interested in bringing a special offering every Sunday for this cause it would work wonders in a year's time.

Though you may not be called to the harvest

To labor hard and long,  
You can be a blessing wherever you are  
By cheering the weary ones on.

You can tell of the love of Jesus,  
And His wonderful power to save;  
How He suffered and died and rose again,  
Conqueror over death and the grave.

Of how He went home to the Father  
And is reigning there at His side,  
Of how He promised to come again  
And receive unto Himself His Bride.

There's not a moment to be wasted,  
Time is short—soon cometh the night,  
And there are millions still in darkness.  
Oh, what a sad, sad plight!

So hasten on, brother, sister,  
Work while still it is day,  
For soon the battle will be over,  
And your reward is at the end of the way.

—By Mrs. T. S. Payne, Rt. 1, Edgewood Grove, Somerset, Pa.

### Atlanta and the General Assembly (Continued from page 6)

committee decided Atlanta was the most suitable place and offered the best proposition. Atlanta was chosen by this committee, presided over by the General Overseer, J. H. Walker. The time was set October 11-15. We now have two churches in Atlanta and one in the suburbs. All three of them with their pastors welcome you. The business men and general public will give the Assembly a warm welcome.

There is no city that is more religiously inclined than Atlanta, and I do not believe we would be treated with more respect anywhere than we will in Atlanta. Remember the place. Don't forget the time, and begin now to prepare to attend the great 34th Annual Assembly of the Church of God.—John C. Jernigan, Manager of the Assembly Publicity Committee.



## LONG

Sister Fern Long, wife of Evangelist Harry Long of Pittsburgh, Pa., died June 20, 1939; age fifty-one years.—Mrs. R. F. Koshewitz, Portland, Me.

## CHITWOOD

Mrs. Minnie Chitwood, faithful member of the Church of God at Cottonwood, Tex., died July 19, 1939.—Wayne McQueen, clerk, Honey Grove, Tex.

## THOMPSON

Brother Frank Alexander Thompson, one of our oldest deacons of the Church of God here, passed away. He was fifty-eight years of age.—Deacon Albert Ingham, Grants Town, Bah., B. W. I.

## WILLIAMS

Little Harrel Choice Williams died Aug. 1, 1939; age six months and twenty-six days.—Harvey Parker, Vannale, Ark.

## BERRY

George Daniel Berry, Jr., only son of our dear pastor, was born Oct 20, 1937 and died July 27, 1939. — Mrs. Callie Winegar, clerk.

## EDITORIALS

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subjects of Antichrist, and the beast will put a death penalty on all who do not worship him. They will stop those who refuse to take his mark, from buying and selling and this will cause great distress in the land. Of course all the Christians will have to be killed except the 144,000 Jews. Some teach that this beast is a governmental power, but we are sure that he is a person and will have charge of these governments and will exercise his authority. No government has power to call fire down from heaven. This is the work of a sinful prophet in the form of a man. Who could better fill this false prophet's description than Judas who betrayed our Lord? and we feel that the Scriptures warrant us in believing that Judas will be the false prophet.

The number of the beast is 666. The Jews in dealing with numbers counted the number "6" as a bad number. If one "6" would be bad, three "6's" would be

triply bad. There are more names than one that will figure 666. Some have figured that the Pope would be Antichrist because the number on his crown figures to be 666. Some suggest Nero and some Napoleon. Many names that figure this number have been suggested. They can't all be right. I am sure it represents Antichrist, the beast. In order to find the correct person that this number represents, we should find the one that corresponds to the prophecies given concerning the beast. He is the eighth king of the seventh head. He is the one that was slain but will come to life. He is the fellow that takes away the daily sacrifice. He is the one that the inmates of Sheol rose up to meet when he went to be with them, Rev. 14:9, 10. He is the man that will have with him a false prophet that will perform miracles, according to the Scriptures. He is the man that will be cast into the lake of fire, according to the Scriptures, at the beginning of the thousand years' reign. The other names mentioned will not go into the lake of fire until the white throne judgment after the thousand years. He is the one that will do many miracles and wear out the saints and make a covenant with the Jews for seven years. So we are sure Antichrist is the only one in the list that corresponds to the prophecies.

## Preachers, We're Going to Give An Account

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laboreth must first be partaker of the fruits, and I guess all ministers know what the fruits are.

"Some indeed preach Christ even of envy and strife; and some also of good will. The one preach Christ of contention, not sincerely," Phil. 1:15, 16.

If we have not a burden for the lost, why stand behind the sacred desk and lord it over God's heritage? We are going to give an account some day. Remember, God's great eye is looking down and He sees those you have driven out into the cold,—not by preaching the Word. The Word preached under the anointing of God's Spirit does not offend His people.

Are we out to feed God's people? Stop and think it over. We will have to give an account.

"Truth can never live where error is harbored or respected."

## REVIVALS

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pleading for people to come to the altar. The people seemed to be so hard-hearted.

It surely encouraged me to go and work for Jesus. I feel the call to go so strong this morning. God has been dealing with me for a long time to go from place to place. I held a week's revival here at home and have been to other places a few times and preached. I have been working for my living; I have two children to support but I am not satisfied working. I know God is able to supply my needs, and this morning I feel I could go out by faith in Him. I feel that I would like to work in new fields. The Lord wonderfully blesses me when I undertake to preach, pick a guitar and sing. My girl sings alto and can pick the guitar too. The boy can sing. He is nine; the girl is fifteen and I am thirty-three. I haven't seen the man I married in about ten years; he just walked off and left me with life to battle alone with two children to support, but thank God this morning He is a friend that will never leave nor forsake me. That is why I want to work for Him. If there is anyone who feels like you would want me for a revival and wants to help me obey God's call, you can get in touch with me at once. I feel like God will bless me and I could be a blessing to someone else.—Mrs. Lela Morgan, Pine Hill, Ala.

SHAW, Miss.—We thank and praise God for the revival that just closed at Mt. Zion Church of God. It began July 8 and closed the 22nd. Seventeen were saved, eleven sanctified, and three filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother A. B. Everett had charge of the revival and the Lord surely blessed him in preaching the Word with power. We appreciate his wife for the work she rendered in the altar service. We also had good singers and leaders from other churches, which we appreciate so much. The saints at this place are more encouraged to press on. How we do thank the Lord for sending Brother and Sister Everett our way. The altar was full from the beginning. Sixteen were in the altar the last night of the service.

Pray much for our church at Mt. Zion and that the seekers will go on and receive the Holy Ghost. Also pray for me, I am interested in lost souls.—Mrs. C. B. Stewart, Rt. 2, Box 15-A.

HILTON, Ga.—I praise the Lord for the two weeks' revival just closed. Two were saved and sanctified and one filled with the Holy Ghost. We had a great battle with the enemy. The enemy came against us with many forces. Our revival closed with seekers in the altar. Pray for the work at this place.—J. A. Faircloth.

Submission is our spiritual bumper to prevent us from smashing into each other, preventing our confidence from being shaken.